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## 1. Barracks and troops in Tremosna (N 50/L 05) near Pilsen\*.

a. In mid-January 1950 it was learned that the construction of a barracks in the area of the former Mracek Factory, south of the railroad station, was started in early June 1949. A section of the barracks was occupied by troops in early 1950. The following information was obtained in talks with soldiers:

(1) Major Hruban was the ranking officer in the barracks. He had previously served with a Slany (N 51/F 50) artillery unit, and had later been stationed in Bory near Pilsen.

(2) The troops in the barracks had the following address: Tremosna u Pilsen, PO box No. 2 (no street number).

(3) The unit was made up of artillery, signal, mortar artillery and AT artillery troops. The signal troops had come from Pilsen-Slovany. Seventy percent of the younger soldiers were Communists. The barracks also housed a military construction detail of 4 officers and about 50 EM.

(4) Twelve heavy mortars and twenty-four light AT guns were stored in the barracks. Once a week exercises with mortars were held outside the barracks. The unit was equipped with about 15 trucks (primarily of Soviet make ZIS) and four passenger cars.

(5) Soldiers said that the new barracks were to accommodate 400 to 500 troops.

b. It was learned from Pilsen officers that new barracks with a capacity of 2,000 troops were to be constructed.

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in 1950, between Tremosna and Horni Briza (N 50/ L 05), south of the road to Horni Briza, near Height 416. Pilsen military administration authorities made inquiries about the capacity of the brickworks near Tremosna.

2. Troops in the Na Slovanech Barracks, Pilsen.

A life of the signal unit in the Na Slovanech Barracks, who had been transferred to Tremosna, said, in early 1950, that in early January 1950 the Na Slovanech Barracks were occupied by the following units:

- a. Motor transport unit with mobile workshop
- b. Signal unit with IO Box No. 161/C
- c. Mortar unit
- d. Engineer unit
- e. "Light tank troops" (no further specification)\*\*.

The units were to leave the barracks in late 1950, allegedly to make room for tank troops.

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Comment:

- \* Tremosna is about 1 km north of Pilsen. It is considered possible that a training course for artillery troops may be conducted there.
- \*\* The information may be considered a confirmation of the following units known to be stationed in the Na Slovanech Barracks:

3rd Motor Trans Bn

105th Mort Regt

7th Engr Bn.

The report is the first to mention a signal unit and "light tank troops" in Pilsen. It does not list the 155th AAA Regt which was stationed in the Na Slovanech Barracks in 1949.

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